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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF DENTISTRY

IN THE MATTER OF

GEORGE KOURAKIN, D.M.D.
License No. DI 13065

LICENSED TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY
IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Administrative Action

CONSENT ORDER

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Dentistry ("Board") upon receipt of information that George Kourakin, D.M.D. ("respondent"), had provided a patient with money and/or dental services in exchange for sex. A second complaint alleged that respondent propositioned a patient suggesting that fees for dental services could be adjusted in exchange for sex. On August 6, 2003, respondent appeared with counsel, Jeffrey Light, Esq., at an investigative inquiry into the matter held by the Board.

At the investigative inquiry, respondent testified that he had begun a personal/sexual relationship with the woman prior to his providing dental services to her. He testified that

the second complaint was a miscommunication between the second patient and him. At the time his wife learned of his infidelity, he terminated the relationship and began therapy for sexual addiction. He engaged in therapy for two years and participated in the Sexual Trauma and Recovery (STAR) Program. At the Board's request, respondent submitted to an independent psychological examination by Julian Slowinski, Psy.D.

Having reviewed the entire record, including respondent's testimony, statements of witnesses, and reports from treating therapists, it appears to the Board that respondent failed to maintain an appropriate relationship with his patients and used his position to secure sexual favors for himself. The Board notes that respondent began therapy on his own initiative following the conduct complained of. Respondent has successfully completed a course in professional ethics. While he has taken steps to treat his sexual addiction and appears to have begun to understand the ramifications of his actions, and appears not to pose a current threat to his patients, his behavior nonetheless requires imposition of a significant sanction by the Board. Respondent's behavior establishes a basis for disciplinary action pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e) (professional misconduct). It appearing that respondent desires to resolve this matter without recourse to formal proceedings and for good cause shown:

IT IS ON THIS 6th DAY OF December, 2006

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

1. George Kourakin, D.M.D., is hereby reprimanded.

2. Respondent is assessed civil penalties, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-22, in the amount of \$2,500 for professional misconduct as demonstrated by his failure to respect professional boundaries with patients. Payment of the civil penalty of \$2,500 shall be submitted by certified check or money order made payable to the State of New Jersey and shall be sent to Kevin B. Earle, Executive Director, P.O. Box 45005, 124 Halsey Street, Sixth Floor, Newark, New Jersey 07101 no later than 30 days from the entry of this Consent Order. Subsequent violations will subject respondent to enhanced penalties pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-25.

3. Respondent is assessed the costs of the investigation to the State in this matter in the amount of \$4,117.96. Payment for the costs shall be submitted by certified check or money order made payable to the State of New Jersey and submitted to the Board no later than 30 days from the entry of this Consent Order. Payment shall be sent to Kevin B. Earle, Executive Director at the address described in paragraph #2

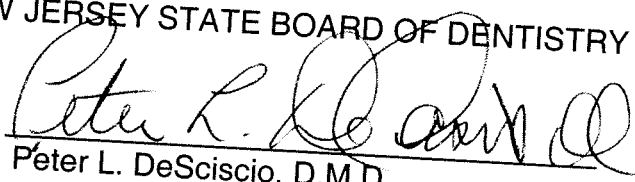
4. Failure to remit any payment as required by this Order will result in the filing of a certificate of debt.

5. Respondent, having completed therapy in December 2005, shall provide a final status report from his psychotherapist to the Board. The Board reserves the right to seek additional information should, after review of that report, it be deemed necessary or appropriate.

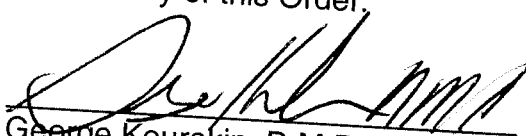
8. Failure to comply with any of the terms of this consent order may result in further disciplinary action.

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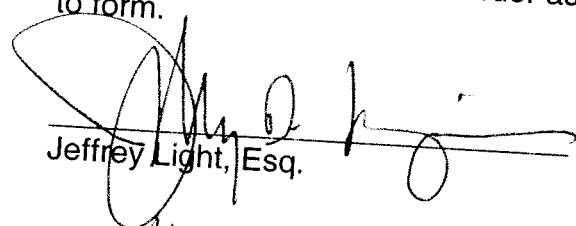

Peter L. DeSciscio, D.M.D.
President

I have read and understand this
Consent Order and agree
to be bound by its terms. I consent
to the entry of this Order.


George Kourakin, D.M.D.

Date

I consent to the entry of this order as
to form.


Jeffrey Light, Esq.

Date